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For: **Method For Exchanging At Least One Secret Initial Value Between A Processing Station And A Chip Card**

**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**  
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